

until the first day of January, 1857, to perfect their titles to the same by grant.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That all persons who have made entries of lands according to law, since the first day of January, 1845, and have not paid the purchase money to the State, shall have until the first day of January, 1857, to make said payments and to perfect their titles to said land: *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained, shall be so construed as to affect the titles of persons who have heretofore obtained grants to said lands, or the rights of persons who have made subsequent entries on the same, or to extend to the swamp lands of this State: *And provided further*, That it shall not extend to or embrace any entry of more than six hundred and forty acres. [*Ratified the 20th day of January, 1855.*]

## TRADING WITH SLAVES.

AN ACT FURTHER TO PREVENT TRADING WITH SLAVES, IN THE COUNTIES OF MECKLENBURG AND NORTHAMPTON. *Chap. 50.*

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That any person in the counties of Mecklenburg and Northampton, who shall be guilty of trading with slaves, for any species of domesticated fowls or poultry, without a written permit from his, her or their master, mistress, or person having the management of such slave, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor; and, upon conviction in the various ways now provided by law, shall be subject to all the pains and penalties now imposed upon persons for trading with slaves for other articles of goods, wares and merchandize. [*Ratified the 14th day of February, 1855.*]

## TURNPIKE AND PLANKROAD COMPANIES.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT TO DEFINE THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF TURNPIKE AND PLANKROAD COMPANIES. *Chap. 51.*

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That upon any subscription of stock, there shall be paid at the time of subscribing, to the commissioners appointed for opening books, the sum of one dollar on every share subscribed, and the residue thereof shall be paid in

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